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Virginia	Page	12s (1 mile north of mouth of Hawksbill Creek, on the right bank of the Shenandoah River.) 5p 3d
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VA, 70-LURAY, 1-	Fort Stover	LURAY VIC. HABST
REPRESENTED IN NEGATIVE FILE	H.A.B.S. SURVEY NO. VA-194	History: Built between 1754 and 1760 by Samuel Stover. Present owner, Trent Long, R.F.D. Luray, Virginia.
PUBLISHED PHOTOGRAPHS		Description: Blue limestone rock. 2 stories attic, basement, and fort cellar. Built in chimneys on each side. Gabled roof, once of shingles, now tin. Walls about 2 feet thick. Windows recessed about 20 inches. Rooms divided by panelled walls. Panelled doors are hung on hand forged hinges of various types, HL hinges and others are strap type, extending across the door. Locks and
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III hardware are unusual design and are hand forged. Outside walls plastered with a clay and wheat composition over a hand made lath. Mantels are long but of delicate construction. The beam joists of the ceilings are exposed. A wide fireplace 14' is in the basement. The stone of the fireplace above the mantel is supported by a huge log (hand hewn) about 20' x 22" wide. Fort cellar is arched and constructed in blue limestone. Walls are two to 3' thick. Massive keystone rocks support the ceiling. Stone steps lead from the cellar fort to a trap door on the first floor.

Additional Data: Fort used by early settlers as a protection from the Indian raids.

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Historical Inventory

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